

Remarks

Claims 1 and 3-12 are pending in the subject application. By this Amendment, claims 1 and 9-12 have been amended and claim 8 has been cancelled. No new matter has been added. Upon entry of these amendments, claims 1, 3-7, and 9-12 will be before the Examiner. Favorable consideration of the pending claims is respectfully requested.

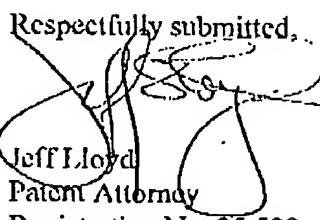
Claims 1 and 3-6 stand rejected for various reasons under 35 USC §103(a) as obvious over prior art. Applicant gratefully acknowledges the Examiner's indication that claims 7-12 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. By this amendment, the limitations of claim 8, which was directly dependent from claim 1, have been added to claim 1 and claim 8 has accordingly been cancelled as unnecessary. The dependencies of claims 9-12 have been amended accordingly. In view of this, Applicant respectfully asserts that the outstanding rejections have now been obviated.

In view of the foregoing remarks and amendments to the claims, Applicant believes that the currently pending claims are in condition for allowance, and such action is respectfully requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17 as required by this paper to Deposit Account 19-0065.

The applicant invites the Examiner to call the undersigned if clarification is needed on any of this response, or if the Examiner believes a telephonic interview would expedite the prosecution of the subject application to completion.

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